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Dear Jim:

It has now been slightly over a week since my Office Directors and I returned from the very delightful weekend conference at the

[redacted] I consider the session to have been quite successful in all respects, particularly since it provided the atmosphere for very open and frank discussion, which is much more difficult to generate in Washington. Jack Blake and other members of the Directorate Team share my enthusiasm for the benefits derived from such a get-together, and we hope to hold similar gatherings in the future.

Rarely have I enjoyed a working session so much, and I am keenly aware that these things do not just happen without a lot of quiet planning at all stages. The accommodations were perfect for our needs, the food was superb, and the overall support was excellent. I know that we caused some additional inconvenience because of the tight schedule on 10 March, when the Senior Seminar arrived.

Please accept my personal thanks for your many courtesies, and convey my appreciation to the many members of your Staff who contributed to the very pleasant weekend. In this regard, I am sure I speak for all the DD/M&S participants in the conference.

Sincerely,

HS/ Harrod

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